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Letter dated 26 September 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I am writing to alert you of the heinous terror attack that took place in Israel today.

A 37-year-old Palestinian man, exploiting his work permit authorized by Israel, arrived at the entrance to the town of Har Adar alongside other Palestinian employees to begin the workday. At the entrance, upon being told by security to halt due to his suspicious behaviour, this terrorist drew a pistol from his shirt and opened fire on the Israeli security personnel on duty that morning.

Border Police Officer St. Sgt. Solomon Gabariya and civilian security guards Yussuf Utman of Abu Gosh and Or Arish of Har Adar were murdered. The town's security coordinator was critically injured as well. The swift response of the security forces, who lost their lives stopping the terrorist before he could enter the town, prevented an even more deadly outcome from occurring.

This murderous attack is the direct result of the Palestinian Authority's payments to terrorists and its systematic incitement. Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas's Fatah faction has already celebrated this terrorist and his killings by posting his picture on its official website and praising him as a martyr. Hamas, the internationally designated terror organization, has also glorified this attack and continues to encourage terrorism against Israel.

I call on the Security Council to condemn this terror attack. Further, I call on the Council to denounce the Palestinian Authority for relentlessly glorifying and incentivizing terror, particularly through monthly terrorist stipends. Finally, I call on the Council to ensure that the Palestinian Authority and President Abbas unequivocally condemn the attack.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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